

CRIMINAL CASES, &c. (IRELAND).

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RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons,  
dated 28 March 1873—*for*,

RETURNS " from the CLERKS of the CROWN in each County in *Ireland*, of the Number of CRIMINAL CASES in each County tried before a Jury at the Spring Assizes of the Years 1871, 1872, and 1873, with a Description of the Crime charged, and the Result of the Trial, specifying in each case whether the Prisoner was found Guilty (and, if so, of what Offence) or Acquitted, or the Jury disagreed : "

" Of the Number of CASES POSTPONED on the Application of Counsel for the Crown, or in which *Nolle prosequi* was entered : "

" And, from the SECRETARIES of the GRAND JURIES of *Ireland* respectively, of any RESOLUTIONS adopted by any of the GRAND JURIES referring to the JURIES ACTS (IRELAND) ACT of 1871. "

(*Mfr. Plasket.*)

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Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed,  
21 May 1873.

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## No. 1.

SUMMARY of RETURNS from the CLERKS of the CROWN in each County in Ireland, of the Number 1872, and 1873, with a Description of the Crime charged, and the Result of the Trial, specifying in Jury disagreed.

*Memorandum.*—The County of Dublin and the City of Dublin are not included in this Summary.

COUNTIES.	SPRING ASSIZES, 1871.					SUMMER ASSIZES, 1871.				
	Number of Cases tried before a Jury.	Number of Persons tried in each Court.	Number of Persons found Guilty.	Number of Persons Acquitted.	Number of Persons as in whom Jury disagreed.	Number of Cases tried before a Jury.	Number of Persons tried in each Court.	Number of Persons found Guilty.	Number of Persons Acquitted.	Number of Persons as in whom Jury disagreed.
Antrim	14	23	7	16	—	4	4	4	—	—
Armagh	8	10	5	5	—	5	11	4	7	—
Carlow	4	12	7	4	1	4	4	2	2	—
Carmarthen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cavan	5	6	5	1	—	5	5	4	1	—
Clara	12	37	14	13	—	1	1	1	—	—
Cork	14	18	7	10	1	15	27	16	10	—
Cork City	9	13	6	7	—	10	10	11	1	—
Down	10	13	11	2	—	18	12	6	6	—
Droghda	16	27	15	10	1	10	21	8	13	—
Dublin	1	1	—	1	—	5	5	—	5	—
Fenagh	5	18	4	4	6	1	1	1	—	—
Galway	11	16	11	5	—	6	6	3	3	1
Galway Town	3	3	3	—	1	6	7	4	3	—
Kerry	10	20	10	10	—	4	5	2	3	—
Kildare	10	20	14	6	—	6	6	2	4	—
Kilkenny	1	3	2	1	—	2	2	2	—	—
Kilkenny City	2	2	2	—	—	2	2	2	—	—
King's	2	2	2	—	—	3	4	2	2	—
Limerick	16	14	6	8	—	4	4	1	3	1
Limerick City	5	6	3	3	—	3	3	2	1	—
Limerick County	5	8	—	1	1	5	5	2	3	2
Londonderry County and City	21	47	31	16	—	6	12	6	6	—
Lough	3	6	1	5	—	3	4	2	2	1
Louth	5	6	6	2	—	4	7	7	—	—
Mayo	9	16	6	9	—	11	13	5	8	1
Meath	5	7	5	2	—	3	3	1	2	—
Monaghan	13	20	8	12	—	1	1	—	1	—
Queen's	4	5	3	2	—	6	6	5	1	—
Roscommon	5	7	4	3	—	5	5	4	1	—
Silgo	6	10	11	4	4	2	3	—	2	—
Tipperary, North Riding	9	11	6	5	—	5	6	4	2	1
Tipperary, South Riding	21	23	16	11	—	7	12	5	7	—
Tyrose	9	24	16	10	—	6	8	5	3	2
Waterford	4	4	3	1	—	1	1	—	1	—
Waterford City	6	7	2	4	1	3	3	—	3	—
Wexmouth	9	19	3	7	2	7	27	16	1	1
Wexford	12	14	13	3	—	4	4	3	—	1
Wicklow	16	13	3	4	—	8	13	7	6	—
Total	319	323	303	225	18	103	364	146	162	14



<sup>10</sup> Chomsky is correct in such. Chomsky would believe that if the English language at the time 1776, it is not as standard as the Present one found today, just as it is, to a less extent, in Japanese or the

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## No. 2.

SUMMARY of RETURNS of the Number of CASES POSTPONED on the Application of Counsel for the Crown, or in which *Nolle prosequi* was entered.

*Remarks.*—The County of Dublin and the City of Dublin are not included in this summary, Commission Courts being held in each six times in the year instead of four and five times respectively.

COUNTY.	SPRING ASSIZES, 1871.		SUMMER ASSIZES, 1871.		SPRING ASSIZES, 1872.		SUMMER ASSIZES, 1872.		SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.	
	Number of Cases postponed.	Number of Cases in which <i>Nolle prosequi</i> was entered.	Number of Cases postponed.	Number of Cases in which <i>Nolle prosequi</i> was entered.	Number of Cases postponed.	Number of Cases in which <i>Nolle prosequi</i> was entered.	Number of Cases postponed.	Number of Cases in which <i>Nolle prosequi</i> was entered.	Number of Cases postponed.	Number of Cases in which <i>Nolle prosequi</i> was entered.
Armagh	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	7	13
Carlow	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Carrikfergus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cavan	1	3	—	—	4	0	12	—	8	8
Claon	—	1	1	—	1	0	1	—	1	0
Cork	7	11	1	1	1	0	—	—	1	0
Cork City	—	1	—	2	—	0	—	1	0	4
Donegal	2	2	—	2	5	4	7	0	10	4
Down	1	1	—	1	2	0	—	1	0	1
Downpatrick	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fermanagh	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	—
Galway	6	0	—	2	1	0	12	0	1	7
Galway Town	—	0	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	—
Kerry	—	0	—	2	—	2	—	0	4	1
Kildare	—	0	—	10	—	15	—	0	—	—
Kilkenny	1	—	4	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Kilkenny City	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
King's County	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	1
Leitrim	—	1	—	—	4	0	—	—	—	1
Limerick	—	1	0	—	0	1	—	—	4	2
Limerick City	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
Louth	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Longford	—	0	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—
Louth	7	—	—	3	1	1	—	1	—	—
Mayo	1	11	1	2	—	2	—	0	2	6
Meath	1	—	2	—	0	—	—	0	1	—
Monaghan	—	1	2	—	1	—	0	7	—	2
Queen's	1	4	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—
Roscommon	—	0	1	7	2	0	—	—	—	—
Sligo	—	4	—	1	1	—	1	—	4	1
Tipperary, North Riding	1	1	2	—	1	—	1	7	1	5
Tipperary, South Riding	4	0	—	—	1	1	0	1	0	1
Tyrone	—	2	—	1	1	4	—	1	1	—
Waterford	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Waterford City	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Westmeath	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Wexford	1	1	—	1	1	2	—	1	—	1
Wicklow	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	26	100	23	45	41	83	50	66	71	43

No. 3.

RETURNS from the SECRETARIES of the GRAND JURIES of Ireland respectively, of any RESOLUTIONS adopted by any of the GRAND JURIES referring to the JURIES ACTS (IRELAND) ACT of 1871.

COUNTY OF ANTRIM.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

(No. 7.)

THE Grand Jury of the County of Antrim now assembled, beg to notify their opinion that the qualification of jurors, and the mode of forming the panel under the *Juries Act, Ireland, 1870*, should be amended, as they believe the existing practice interferes injuriously with, and tends to frustrate, the administration of justice, and is also attended with extreme inconvenience, and they respectfully ask Her Majesty's Government to take the matter into their early and serious consideration.

*Edward O'Neill,*  
Foreman, for self and fellows.

(No. 2.)

Resolved, That the following gentlemen be appointed law committee, and that they be instructed to take such steps as they may think best to obtain modifications and improvements in any proposed Grand Jury Bill and amendment of the *Juries Act* of last year, and other matters that may affect the county, viz. :—

W. T. B. Lyons, convenor;  
Henry H. McNeill, Esq;  
John Young, Esq;  
Sir Charles Lanyon;

James Torrens, Esq;  
William Costes, Esq.; and  
George Gray, Esq.

Three to be a quorum.

*Edward O'Neill,*  
Foreman, for self and fellows.

No. 3.)

Resolved, That in respect of payment for preparing petty jury lists under Lord O'Hagan's Act, a uniform rate of 3 d. per rating be allowed for the borough of Belfast, and ½ d. per rating for the country districts.

*Edward O'Neill,*  
Foreman, for self and fellows.

No. 1 of the above Resolutions was passed on the 15th of March 1873.  
Nos. 2 and 3 on the 19th and 20th of March 1873.

*John Costes,*  
Secretary, Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF ARMAGH.

Spring Assizes, 1873.

## Court Resolution of Grand Jury.

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of the Grand Jury it is highly inconvenient and inexpedient to summon justices of the peace as common jurors at Assizes.

*J. G. Windsor, Secretary Grand Jury.*

## COUNTY OF CARLOW.

*Resolved*, That this Grand Jury are deeply impressed by the mischievous effect produced by the late Juries Act, the working of which has already proved to be utterly inconsistent with the proper administration of justice, and consequently trust that an alteration of the law so as to secure more efficient and educated jurors may be made forthwith.

That this Grand Jury also protest against the increased and unnecessary taxation imposed on the county in the preparation of jury lists under the new system.

That the Secretary be requested to forward these resolutions to our county Members, with a request that they will endeavour to further the desire expressed therein.

Grand Jury Room, 7 March 1873.

For self and fellows,

*John H. Keogh.*

The Foreman dissenting.

(True copy.)

(signed)

*James Butler,*

Secretary to Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF THE TOWN OF CARRICKFERGUS.

At last Assizes, referring to "The Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871," no resolution was passed.

Carrickfergus, 8 April 1873.

*Samuel Lynamour,*

Secretary, Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF CAVAN.

— Nil —

*J. Jernell Tallow,*

Secretary, Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF CLARE.

We, the Grand Jury of the County of Clare, assembled at Spring Assizes, 1873, beg to protest most strongly against the Juries (Ireland) Bill, 34 & 35 Vict. c. 65, as the Act is most complicated and expensive to the county rates, and some provisions in it are calculated to impede the administration of justice.

*Crofton M. Vandelaar,*

For self and fellows.

This resolution was passed on the 19th February 1873.

12 April 1873.

*Francis Morice,*

Grand Jury Secretary.

COUNTY OF CORK.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

WE, the Grand Jury of the County of Cork for Spring Assizes, 1873, having considered the working of the Juries (Ireland) Act, 34 & 35 Vict. c. 46, are of opinion that while throwing additional burden on the county rates, it is most complicated and expensive in its working, and therefore requires considerable amendment, particularly as to the qualification of jurors.

5 March 1873.

E. A. Shuldhare, Foreman.

BOROUGH OF CORK.

THIS is to certify that no resolutions were adopted by the Town Council of the Borough of Cork in reference to the Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871, the fiscal powers and duties formerly appertaining to the Grand Jury of the County of the City of Cork being now vested in the Town Council, pursuant to "The Cork Improvement Act, 1852."

Town Clerks' Office, 7, South Mall, Cork,  
29 April 1873.

Alexander McCarthy, jun.,  
Town Clerk of Cork.

COUNTY OF DONEGAL.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

WE, the Grand Jury of the County of Donegal assembled at Spring Assizes, 1873, having had our attention drawn to the working of the Juries (Ireland) Act, 1871, resolve, that we regret to find it has proved inefficient and expensive, and we urge on the Government the propriety of having it amended; and that copies of this resolution be sent to our county Members, requesting them to bring the matter under the notice of the Government.

Alexander J. R. Stewart,  
And Fellows.

John Sprue, Secretary, Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF DOWN.

No copy of the resolution adopted by the Grand Jury at the last Assizes relative to the Juries (Ireland) Act, 1871, was handed to me, and I have in vain endeavoured to procure a copy of it.

The resolution, as I hear, was either handed to the Members for the county, who were present, or afterwards transmitted to them.

This resolution was adopted after the termination of the Crown business, when I was absent, the fiscal business having been previously disposed of.

R. Graham, Secretary to the Grand Jury,  
County Down.

Downpatrick, 29 April 1873.

COUNTY OF THE TOWN OF DROGHEDA.

— Nil. —

25 April 1873.

Henry Clifton,  
Secretary to the Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF DUBLIN.

NO resolution has been adopted by the Grand Jury of the County of Dublin referring to the Juries Acts (Ireland), 1871.

County Grand Jury Room, Four Courts,  
12 April 1873.

*Henry Bahr,*  
Secretary to the Grand Jury.

## BOROUGH OF DUBLIN.

THERE were no resolutions passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Dublin, as the Fiscal Grand Jury, relative to the working of the Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871.  
9 April 1873.

*W. J. Henry,* Town Clerk.

## COUNTY FERMANAGH.

— Nil. —

Secretary's Office, Enniskillen,  
19 April 1873.

*W. Archibald Dune,*  
Secretary of the Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF GALWAY.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

Proposed by *Robert Bodkin*; Seconded by *Captain O'Hara*.

WE, the Grand Jury of the County of Galway, assembled at Spring Assizes, 1873, desire to record our disapproval of the "Jury Act, 1871," which we consider intricate and expensive in its machinery, and eminently calculated to render trial by jury delusive and insipid.

We therefore call on the Legislature to relieve us from the disastrous consequences of so mischievous an enactment.

For self and fellows, *Delin*, Foreman.

9 April 1873.

*Walter Seymour,* Secretary to Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF THE TOWN OF GALWAY.

— Nil. —

*Robt. Stephens,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.



COUNTY OF KERRY.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Grand Jury, the "Juries Act (Ireland), 1871, will lead to the encouragement of crime, and impede the administration of justice, unless the qualification for serving on juries be raised considerably above that inserted in said Act. This Grand Jury desire further to express their conviction that ignorance of the English language, or of the arts of reading and writing, ought to be made a disqualification for serving on such juries, if they are to be continued to be a part of the machinery for investigating crime.

28 February 1873.

*W. Hickie*, Foreman.

I hereby certify that the above is a correct copy.

*Robert FitzGerald*,

Grand Jury Secretary.

COUNTY OF KILDARE.

No resolutions have been adopted by the Grand Jury of Kildare County, referring to the Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871.

Nass, 12 April 1873.

*Matthew Fente*,

Secretary to the Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF KILKENNY.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

THERE was no resolution passed by the Grand Jury of the County of Kilkenny at the last Spring Assizes, relative to the Juries Act.

Kilkenny, 29 April 1873.

*William Hayden*,

Secretary to the Grand Jury.

CITY OF KILKENNY.

No Resolution relative to the Juries Act (Ireland), 1871, was passed by the Grand Jury of this city at the last Assizes.

8 April 1873.

*P. J. Dukes*,

Secretary, City Grand Jury.

KING'S COUNTY.

No Resolution was passed by the Grand Jury referring to the Juries Acts (Ireland) Act, 1871.

Parsonstown, 9 April 1873.

*Thomas Mitchell*,

Secretary to Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF LEITRIM.

SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Jury of the County of Leitrim, at the Spring Assizes of 1873 assembled, protest against the expense to which the coo-payers of the county are put

\* In original resolution, "Juries Act (Ireland), 1870."

put for preparation of the jury lists under the Act of 34 & 35 Vict. c. 65, and hereby express their opinion that the effect of that statute is to have persons summoned on juries who are illiterate and unfit for the performance of the duties of jurors; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Government.

24 February 1873.

*W. H. Ormsby Gore, Foreman.*

I certify the above to be a true copy of the resolution passed at Spring Assizes, 1873, relative to the Juries Act, 1871.

*W. A. Peyton,*  
Secretary of Grand Jury.

#### COUNTY OF LIMERICK.

THE Grand Jury of the County of Limerick have not passed any resolution in reference to the Juries Act (Ireland) of 1871.

Grand Jury Secretary's Office,  
Limerick, 8 April 1873.

*Poole Galbott,*  
Grand Jury Secretary.

#### CITY OF LIMERICK.

THE Grand Jury of this city did not pass any resolution referring to the Juries Act (Ireland), 1871.

Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall,  
Limerick, 19 April 1873.

*John Ellard, Town Clerk.*

#### CITY AND COUNTY OF LONDONDERRY.

No resolution relative to the "Juries Act (Ireland), 1871," passed by the Grand Jury of the City and County of Londonderry.

Londonderry, 19 April 1873.

*John T. Gregg,*  
Secretary to the Grand Jury.

#### COUNTY OF LONGFORD.

No resolution was passed by the Grand Jury of this county referring to the "Juries Act (Ireland), 1871."

8 April 1873.

*A. H. Masters,*  
Secretary of Grand Jury.

#### COUNTY OF LOUTH.

##### SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

WE, the Grand Jury of the county of Louth, having taken into consideration the Juries Act, 34 & 35 Vict. c. 65, hereby beg to express our disapproval of the measure, inasmuch as by lowering the qualification, it has provided an inferior class of jurors, at the same time entailing great additional expenses on the county rates.

Dundalk, 8 April 1873.

*Alexander Shelton,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF MAYO.

By the Grand Jury at Spring Assizes, 1873, assembled.

*Resolved.* We, the Grand Jury of the County of Mayo, at Spring Assizes 1873, assembled, have looked with dismay at the inefficiency of the late Jurors Act. It has, in fact, paralysed the action of justice in the country, and destroyed all feeling of security for life or property. We, therefore, most earnestly entreat that an Act so important for good, and so injurious, may be repealed or amended without delay.

Passed, 7 March 1873.

*J. T. Browne, Foreman.*

*Resolved.* That the details of the New Jurors Act are needlessly troublesome and expensive, and that the same system could be carried out in a more simple manner, and without involving the necessity of the great and perfectly useless expense of making every poor-rate collector in the county attend the Jurors Sessions by confining the entire duty to the Clerks of the Peace and Clerks of the Unions.

*J. T. Browne, Foreman.*

I certify that the foregoing are true and correct copies.

Castlebar, 14 April 1873.

*V. J. Blake,*  
Secretary, Mayo Grand Jury

COUNTY OF MEATH.

We, Grand Jury of County of Meath, assembled at Spring Assizes, 1873, beg to protest strongly against Jurors (Ireland) Act, 34 & 35 Vict. c. 85, as an Act most complicated and expensive to county rates, and calculated to impede the administration of justice.

Signed, on behalf of self and fellows,

21 February 1873.

*Edward McEvoy, Foreman.*

Bosboro, Balroath, Navan,  
14 April 1873.

*Jas. Coddington, Major,*  
Secretary, Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF MONAGHAN.

No resolutions passed.

Court House, Monaghan,  
12 April 1873.

*John Jackson,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

MARTBOROUGH. LENT ASSIZES, 4 March 1873.

Proposed by Sir Allan Walsh, Bart., seconded by Lewis Moore, D.L.; and

*Resolved.* That the Grand Jury of the Queen's County assembled at Spring Assizes, 1873, desire to express their unanimous opinion that the Jurors (Ireland) Act, 1871, requires amendment;

1st. on account of the extra expense it involves, inasmuch as the duties imposed on Clerks of the Union, and poor-rate collectors, would be as well discharged by the harony constables as heretofore, without incurring any extra charge.

2nd. Because the class of jurors returned in compliance with the provisions of the Act is inferior to their predecessors, and not properly qualified for discharging the duties imposed upon them.

Signed, for self and fellows,

*F. P. Dunne, Foreman.*

(True Copy.)

*H. Despard, Grand Jury Secretary.*

True copy.

*R. N. Mathison.*

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### COUNTY OF ROSCOMMON.

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No Resolutions were adopted by the Grand Jury of this county referring to the *Juries (Ireland) Act, 1871.*

Secretary's Office, Roscommon,  
12 April 1873.

*Alfred Crofton,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.

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### COUNTY OF SLIGO.

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RESOLUTION of the Grand Jury, County Sligo Spring Assizes, 1873.

THIS Grand Jury is of opinion there should be an amendment of the present law in respect of special and common juries.

1st. Persons who are eligible and competent should be liable to serve annually, not once only in three years.

2nd. The proportion of special to ordinary or common jurors, should not exceed one in six.

3rd. A maximum of 700 jurors would suffice for the general list in this county, and the amount of rating qualification should be varied accordingly.

4th. Illiterate persons and licensed retailers of spirituous liquors should not be eligible as jurors.

5th. A moiety of all the expenses incidental to formation and revision of the jury lists should be payable out of the Consolidated Fund.

6th. The preparation and publication of lists of jurors now delegated to clerks of unions might, we think, be properly imposed on clerks of the peace (as was intended by the *Juries Bill of 1866*), they possessing all necessary information in the recently formed lists of Parliamentary voters, whereby a very considerable saving of expence might be effected.

*Edward H. Cooper, Foreman.*

*Geo. Jones Martin,*  
Secretary, and Acting Treasurer.

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### COUNTY OF TIPPERARY.

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NENAGH SPRING ASSIZES, 1873.

THAT the Grand Jury has just received a communication from the High Sheriff, that upon the first criminal case brought forward on trial (one of homicide), it was found that the foreman of the jury sworn to try the case, could neither read or write, upon which he was at once discharged from attendance.

The Grand Jury are of opinion that a stronger instance could not be brought forward to show the extremely objectionable character of the recent *Jury Act*, and therefore would earnestly impress on the Government the necessity of steps being taken without delay, with a view of having the law so altered as will prevent the recurrence of such a scandal.

Passed unanimously.

*John Cronin Carden, Foreman.*

Grand Jury Office, Clonmel,  
21 April 1873.

*G. Sadleir,*  
Secretary to the Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF TYRONE.

No resolutions were adopted in this county referring to the *Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871*.

Omagh, 9 April 1873.

*Burleigh Stuart,*  
Secretary to the Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF WATERFORD.

RESOLUTION.

THE Grand Jury of the County of Waterford cannot separate without calling the attention of the Government, with the view to its amendment, to the injuries inflicted both upon the jurors and the public by the provisions of the *Jurors Act of 1871*, inflicting, as it does, upon the first unnecessary attendance from their homes of a class of men to whom both time and money is of great importance, and upon the latter the chance of a jury being empannelled, both in intelligence and station, totally unfitted to try the several issues that may be imposed upon them.

11 March 1873.

*R. Magrane, Foreman.*

(A true Return.)

8 April 1873.

*P. Ketterville Barron,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF THE CITY OF WATERFORD.

No resolutions were adopted by the Grand Jury of the City of Waterford, referring to the *Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871*.

8 April 1873.

*Henry Sargent,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.

COUNTY OF WESTMEATH.

SPRING ASSIZES.

Resolved, That while we recognise as a constitutional improvement in the jury system the arrangement by which under the new *Juries (Ireland) Act, 1871*, jurors are to be chosen, we are of opinion that the minimum valuation fixed by the Act both for special and common jurors is much too low; that the Bill is needlessly complicated in its details, and that it is calculated to increase unnecessarily the local taxation.

Passed unanimously.

For self and fellows,

27 February 1873.

*C. Handcock,*  
Foreman of Grand Jury.

Mullingar, 21 April 1873.

*Edward Tyrrell,*  
Secretary to Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF WEXFORD.

No resolution was adopted by the Grand Jury of this county, referring to the Juries Acts (Ireland), 1871.

County Court House, Wexford,  
19 April 1873.

Henry E. Wynne,  
Secretary to the Grand Jury.

## COUNTY OF WICKLOW.

## Spring Assizes, Wicklow.

## "Resolution of Grand Jury."

*Resolved*, That while we recognise as a constitutional improvement in the jury system, the arrangement by which under the new Juries (Ireland) Act, 1871, jurors are to be chosen, we are of opinion that the minimum valuation fixed by the Act both for the "Special" and "Common Jurors" is much too low;

That the Bill is needlessly complicated in its details, and that it is calculated to increase unnecessarily the local taxation.

28 March 1873.

George Hodson Burrow, Foreman.

(Copy.)

George Wynne, Secretary of Grand Jury.

## CRIMINAL CASES, &amp;c. (IRELAND).

RETURNED from the CLERK of the Crown in each County in Ireland, of the Number of Criminal Cases in each County tried before a Jury at the Spring Assizes of the Years 1871, 1872, and 1873; of the Number of Cases Disposed on the Application of Counsel for the Crown, or in which Abolition of Counsel was ordered; and, from the Secretaries of the Grand Jurors of Ireland respectively, of any Resolutions adopted by any of the Grand Jurors referring to the Juries Acts (Ireland) Act of 1871.

(Mr. Pender.)

Ordered, by The Clerk of the Crown, as he Directed,  
at May 1873.

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